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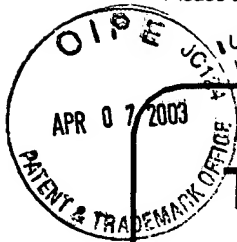
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AMENDMENT

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INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated **October 3, 2002**, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the above-identified application in view of the following amendments and remarks.

The following documents are enclosed herewith:

- 1) A petition to extend the period of response for three months;

Amendments are made herein in accordance with the guidelines published by the U.S. PTO on the US PTO website entitled: Amendments in a Revised Format Now Permitted.

Please amend the specification and claims as follows